

A scenic landscape featuring a river in the foreground, a grassy bank with several trees, and a large tree on the right side. The scene is bathed in soft, natural light, suggesting a peaceful outdoor setting.

# WELCOME

River Task Force Meeting

April 27, 2023

# Development Team

Developer



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Environmental Consultant



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Earthwork Contractors





# River Park - Site Constraints

# Northville's River Park

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## Design Objectives

- Transform a blighted piece of land into a usable community and regional asset
- Provide a passive and naturalized park for recreational use as an extension of Hines Park
- Create an interconnected and comprehensive pedestrian and bicycle network
  - to Downtown
  - to adjacent neighborhoods
  - to the river
  - to Hines Park
- Reopen roughly 1/4 mile of the Rouge River
- Provide a river design capturing the floodplain within the banks
- Integrate the stormwater management pond with river park
- Preserve the River Street right-of-way for possible future improvements

## Design Concept

- Organic
- Walkable
- Flexible
- Passive recreation
- Community gathering
- Serene landscape

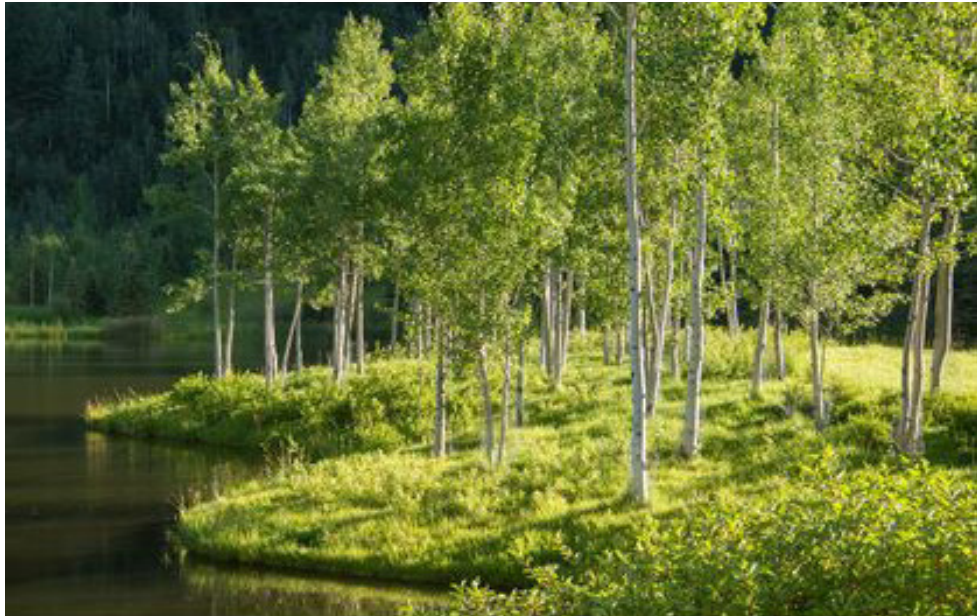
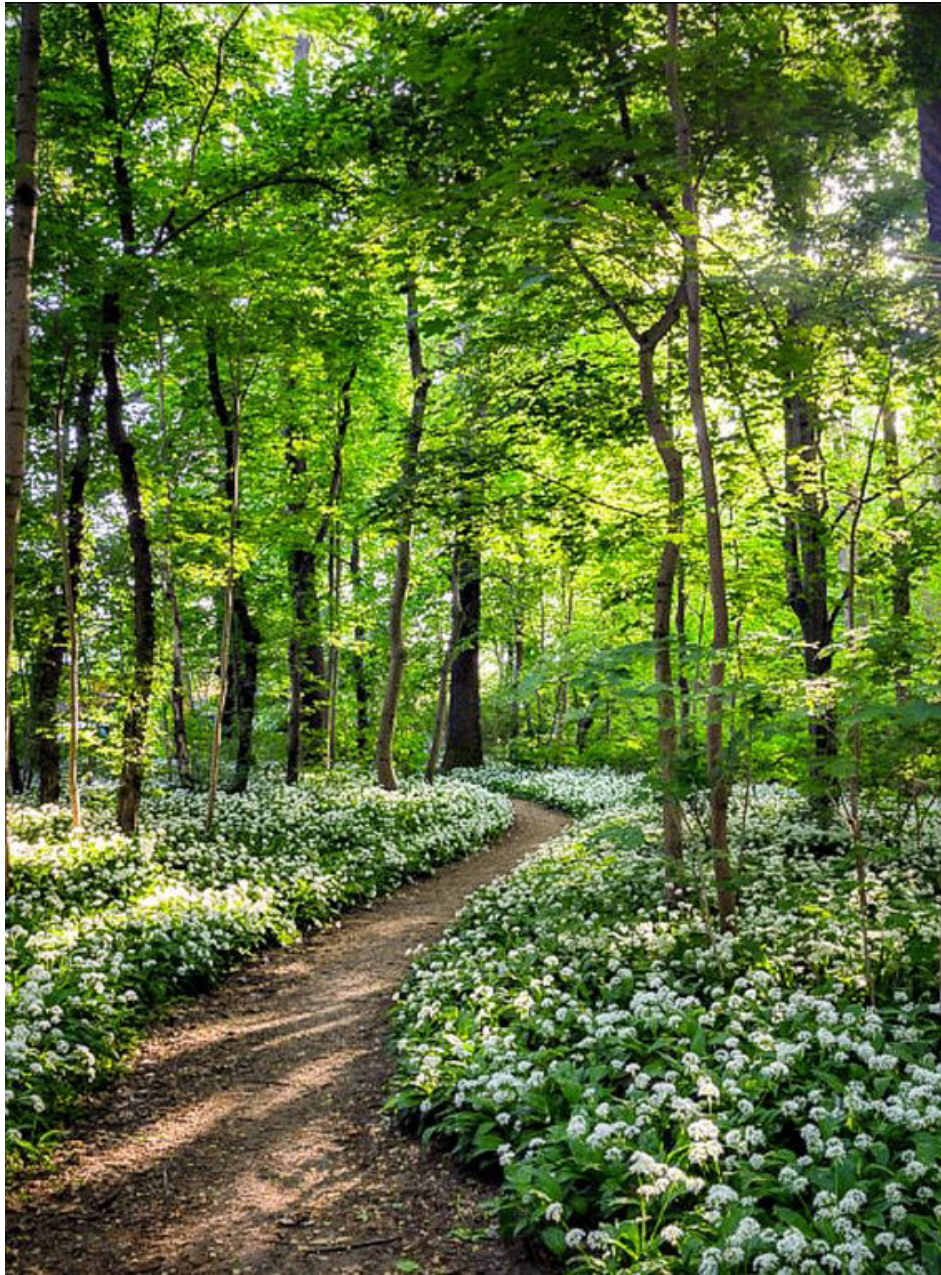
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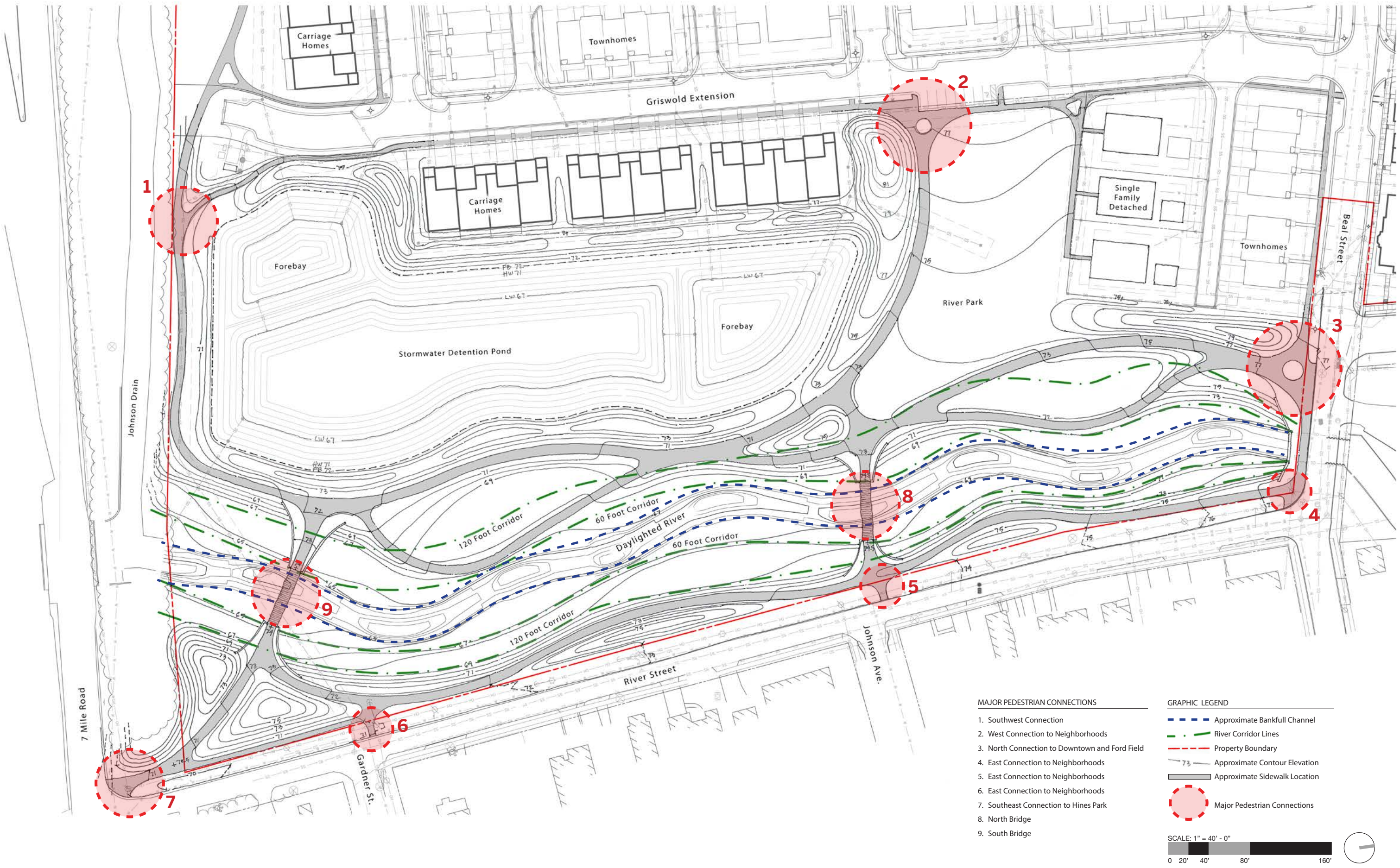
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**MAJOR PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIONS**

1. Southwest Connection
2. West Connection to Neighborhoods
3. North Connection to Downtown and Ford Field
4. East Connection to Neighborhoods
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7. Southeast Connection to Hines Park
8. North Bridge
9. South Bridge

**GRAPHIC LEGEND**

- Approximate Bankfull Channel
- River Corridor Lines
- Property Boundary
- Approximate Contour Elevation
- Approximate Sidewalk Location
- Major Pedestrian Connections



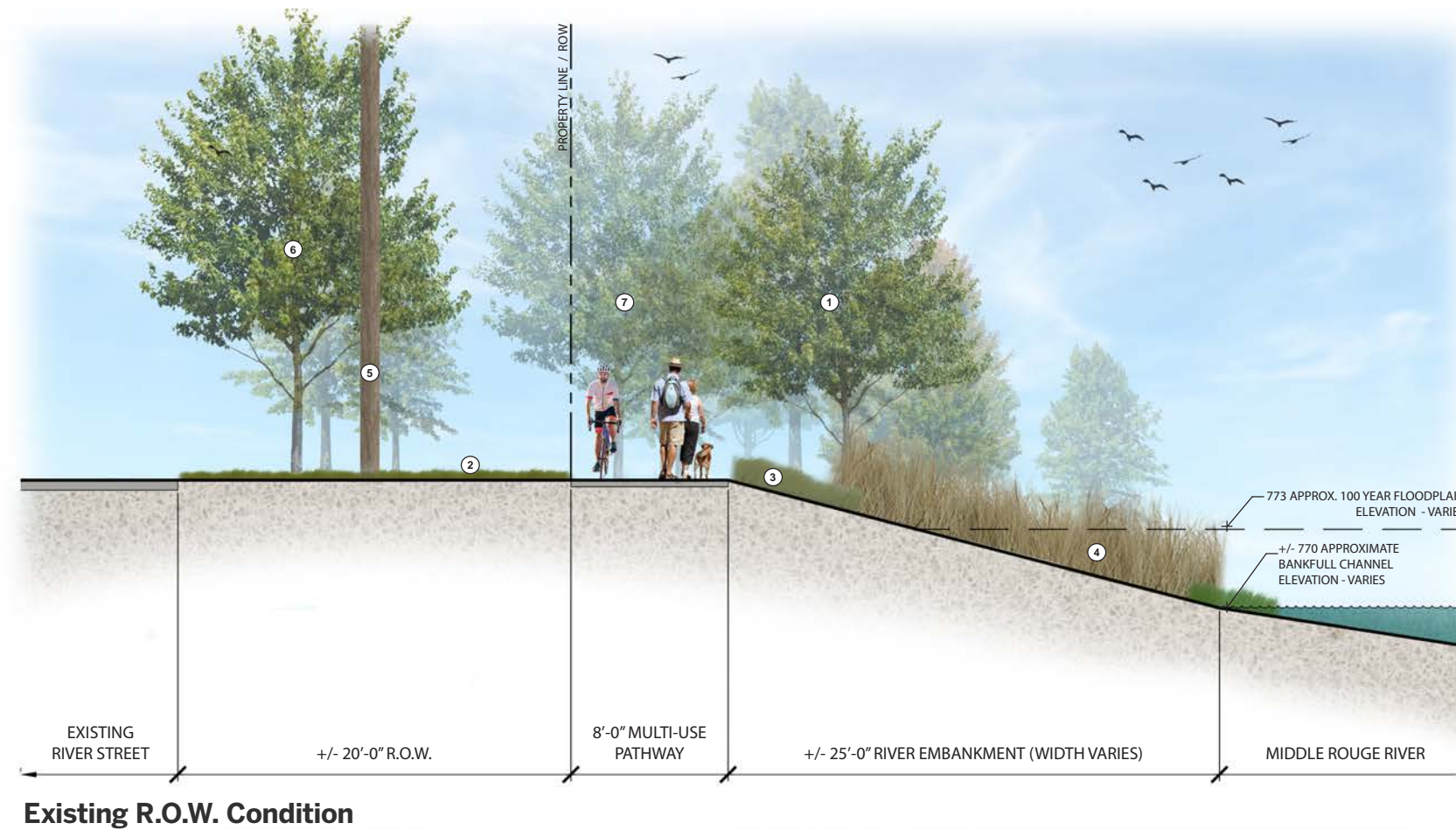


**NOTE KEY**

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| ① Gathering Space at Bridge Access                           | ⑭ Berming with Trees for Landscape Separation                                |
| ② 10' Wide Pedestrian Bridge with Wing Walls                 | ⑮ Ornamental Trees   |
| ③ Aerator Fountains  | ⑯ Relocated Cabin  |
| ④ Upper Level Pedestrian Network                             | ⑰ Trash Receptacle   |
| ⑤ Lower Level Pedestrian Network                             | ⑱ Wayfinding Sign  |
| ⑥ Connection to Hines Park Trailhead                         | ⑲ River Bank Plantings   |
| ⑦ Park Lighting (+/- 150' on Center)                         | ⑳ Lawn with Existing Trees in River Street Right-of-way (trees to be pruned) |
| ⑧ Park Benches   | ㉑ Aquatic Planting Pockets   |
| ⑨ Bike Repair Station, Bike Racks and Drinking Fountain      | ㉒ Area of "Rapids" in River  |
| ⑩ Berming and Evergreen Screening Adjacent to Residential    | ㉓ Densely Planted Tree Zones Along River Bank                                |
| ⑪ Usable Cut Lawn Areas                                      | ㉔ Meadow Lawn  |
| ⑫ Low Berms with Tree Massings Along River Street            |  |
| ⑬ Seed Mixes and Plant Types Similar to River Bank Landscape |  |







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Bike Repair Station



Lighting, Way Finding and Trash



Benches



Bike Racks



Basswood



Hackberry



Kentucky Coffee-tree



Heritage River Birch



Bur Oak



Swamp White Oak



Pin Oak



Red Oak



Red Maple



Suger Maple



Muscledwood



Sycamore



Norway Spruce



Serbian Spruce



White Spruce



White Pine



Concolor Fir



Crabapple



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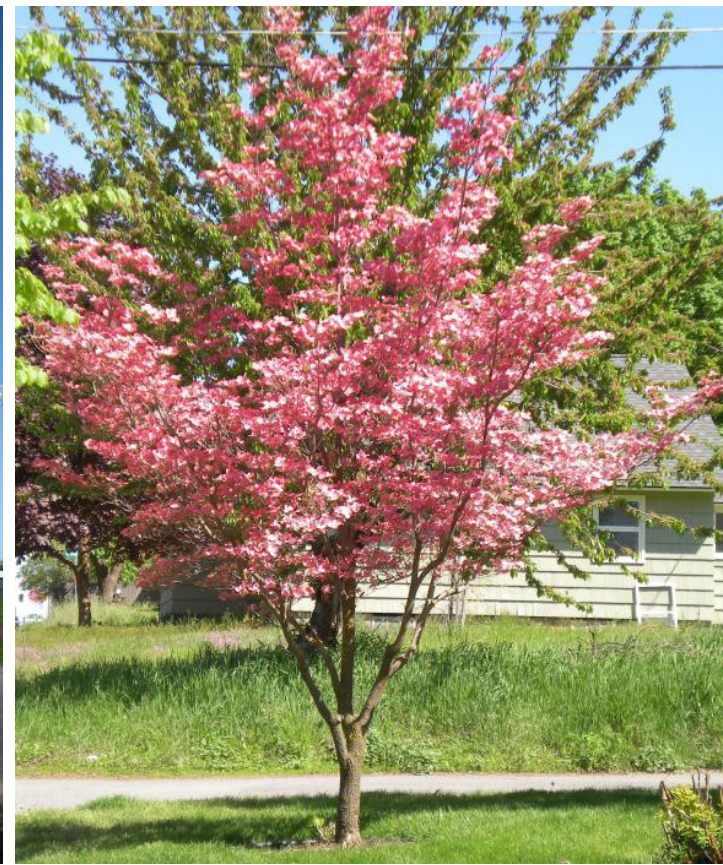
Redbud



Magnolia



Serviceberry



Dogwood



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A scenic landscape featuring a river flowing through a lush green area. The river is surrounded by tall grasses and various trees, including a large tree on the left. In the background, a bridge spans across the river. The sky is blue with some clouds. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

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